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Art Unit:

Examiner:

In re application of:

Anthony K. Cheng

Serial No: 09/888,005 Filed: June 22, 2001

HOMOGENEOUS ASSAY OF

VANCOMYCIN USING A STABLE

PARTICLE-VANCOMYCIN CONJUGATE, A NOVEL RATE ENHANCER, AND A NOVEL DOSE

RESPONSE MODULATOR

BOX RESPONSES NO FEE Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application.

 \boxtimes No additional fee is required.

 \boxtimes The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies of fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

> Respectfully submitted, HOGAN & HARTSON L.L.P.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 5, 2003, Applicant elects the claims of Group II, 14-30 and 50-64 for prosecution. The Election is with traverse.

In addition, please amend claims 19 and 20 as follows:

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